

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 12/28/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-16.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office correspondence is response to the applicant's response filed on 12/28/2007.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Applicant's representative, Richard A. Hinson (Reg. No. 47,652), and examiner arranged a telephone interview on February 14, 2008 and the interview agenda was to reach an agreement of allowance of claims 1-16 with examiner amendment would make the claims as follows:

In the claims:

Claims 17-24 has been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-16 are allowed. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In interpreting the claims, in light of the Specification and the applicant's amendments filed on 12/28/2007, the Examiner finds the claimed invention to be patentably distinct from the prior art of record.

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3. Farmer et al (US application 2003/0130893) discloses an apparatus and method comprising: receiving the telematics data from the plurality of vehicles, wherein the received telematics data dynamically changes over time; comparing the telematics data received from each one of said vehicles with a privacy policy associated with said each one of said vehicles, wherein the privacy policy specifies privacy policy rules for selectively releasing items of the received telematics data to said one or more service providers; [[and]] selectively providing items of the telematics data to the one or more service providers based on the comparing step, according to which an item of telematics data is provided only if a privacy policy rule is satisfied.

4. However, the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest that "specifying at least one conflict-resolution rule for resolving a conflict between two or more privacy policy rules, wherein if a first privacy policy rule dictates release of an item of telematics data and a second privacy policy rule dictates not releasing the item of telematics data, then the item of telematics data is provided to the one or more service providers only if the at least one conflict-resolution rule assigns a higher priority to the first privacy policy rule". Accordingly, the applied art of Farmer does not disclose "the item of telematics data is provided to the one or more service providers only if the at least one conflict-resolution rule assigns a higher priority to the first privacy policy rule" as specifically recited in the independent claims 1, 6, 9, 11, and 14. So, Claims 1-16 are allowed because of the combination of other limitations and the limitations listed above.

5. As, the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest some of the steps of the present claim invention. Examiner performed an updated search and unable to find any prior art to disclose all the steps mentioned in the independent claims.

6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

7. Claims 1-16 are patentable.

8. Claims 17-24 are cancelled.

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mohammad w. Reza whose telephone number is 571-272-6590. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (9:00-5:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, MOAZZAMI NASSER G can be reached on (571)272-4195. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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